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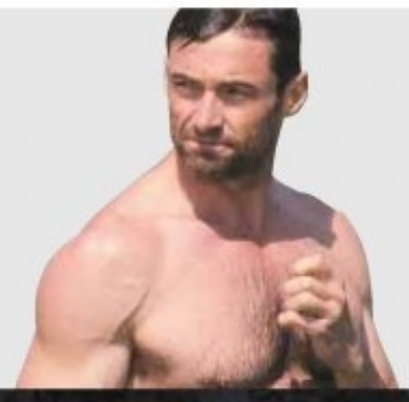

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US attorney: Whitey did not have a license to kill

Attorney for Bulger says alleged mob boss was never an informant ◗ Bulger's lawyer says immunity was given for a different reason ◗ Feds argue judge, not jury, should decide claim

The lawyer for accused mob boss James "Whitey" Bulger repeatedly said that the former fugitive was never a government informant and that there was another reason why he was allegedly given immunity.

But the lawyer, J. W. Carney Jr., did not offer a reason for the immunity Bulger claimed was given to him by a former assistant U.S. attorney.

"We're going to present that answer when the trial starts on June 10," Carney said when asked repeatedly by reporters about the reason for the immunity.

Carney's comments come one week after prosecutors released a partial transcript of a recorded conversation Bulger, 83, had with his brother while in a Plymouth jail. In the transcript, which was part of a court filing, Bulger said he never gave information to authorities, but that he instead paid for it.

Bulger's claim of immunity appears to be his central defense to the federal charges facing him, which include murder and racketeering. It was also the subject of a hearing in federal court yesterday.

Prosecutors requested the hearing and argued that Bulger has not only presented no evidence to back up his immunity claim, but that he has no legal standing for it.

Assistant U.S. Attorney Zach Hafer said there is a "lack of legal support" for the framework Carney presented.

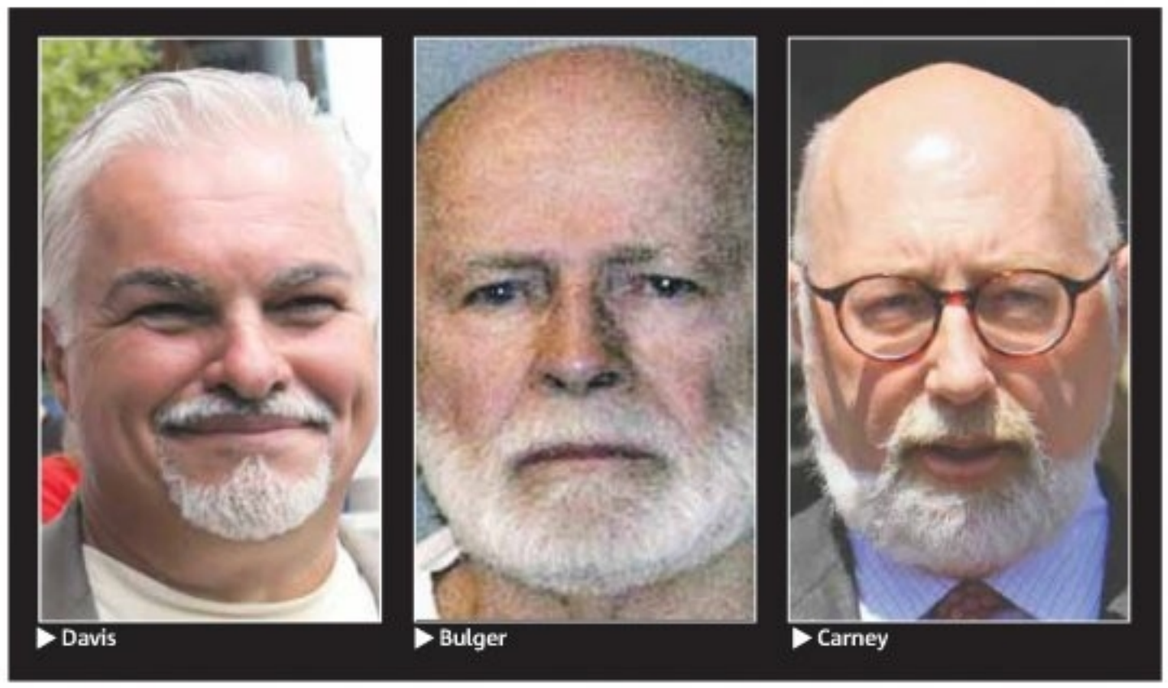
Federal prosecutors asked a judge to rule on the immunity issue before trial. Carney wants the jury to decide the immunity issue.

"To remove his defense of immunity from being presented to the jury … would in effect deny him his right to a fair trial," Carney said.

Carney has so far revealed few details about the immunity agreement other than that it was allegedly promised to him by former Assistant U.S. Attorney Jeremiah O'Sullivan.

Hafer argued that, even if there was an immunity agreement, O'Sullivan would not have been able to authorize Bulger to kill citizens.

A decision on whether the jury will get to decide the immunity issue is weeks away, as Judge Richard Stearns gave both sides two weeks to file supporting memorandums.


▶ Davis ▶ Bulger ▶ Carney

Families' reaction

The family members of Bulger's alleged victims appeared in court yesterday to hear the arguments around the immunity issue.

Steven Davis, whose sister Debra was killed in 1981, said that if the judge lets the immunity claim be decided by the jury, then the judge should step down.

"He has to prove it," Davis said of Bulger's claim.

Sandra Patient, whose uncle Arthur "Bucky" Barrett was allegedly killed by Bulger, said she believes a jury wouldn't believe the immunity claim.

"The fact that Bulger is saying he has immunity is sick," she said. "He pulled it out of a hat."

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In the news

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State police issued three citations to drivers who were traveling on state roadways during the snowstorm driving ban. State police said they issued many warnings and a few citations, but no one was arrested for driving during the rare 24-hour ban that Gov. Deval Patrick issued because of last week's snowstorm, according to the State House News Service. METRO

Today's local tweet

"Saw a bus with front end damage, missing bike rack, with a sticker that basically said use at your own risk. #encouragement #mbta"

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In the news

▶ Chicken saved!

Somerville police rescue chicken from snows

SOMERVILLE. Somerville Police don't cluck around.

Many officers will tell you that their job is far from routine, and that was just the case when police in Somerville were called to rescue a chicken in distress.

Police responded to Elm Street at about 7 p.m. Tuesday night for a chicken stuck in a snow bank adjacent to the employee parking lot of a nearby Shaw's supermarket.

Officer Marc DiFava "bravely jumped into action and saved the chicken from certain peril," police wrote on their website.

Police said the chicken was turned over to animal control and there was no word on a possible owner. METRO

With love, from Boston: Free parking today

BOSTON. Today parking will be free at all city meters, courtesy of the city of Boston.

Mayor Thomas M. Menino announced the Valentine's Day "gift" yesterday, but it's not all about romance — the financial break is meant for local businesses to make up for lost time during the blizzard.

"Whether you're showering yourself, a friend or a special someone with love this Valentine's Day, we want to make it as easy as possible for residents and visitors to spend some time and money at Boston businesses and restaurants tomorrow," Menino said. "Get out there and share the love!" METRO

UMass donor list grows

MASSACHUSETTS. With federal and state dollars in question, the University of Massachusetts system has ratcheted up its fundraising, achieving 58 percent of its nearly $103 million fundraising goal in the first half of fiscal year 2013. METRO/SHNS

MBTA. Blizzard

▶ Patrick thanks T workers for blizzard response: "You put the system back together."

NICOLAUS CZARNECKI/METRO

Gov. Deval Patrick yesterday thanked MBTA workers in South Boston for their hard work through last weekend's blizzard. The T shut down service on Friday and did not return to full operations until Monday. Transit workers have since worked to shovel snow at stations and bus stops. METRO

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News in brief

Man dies after crash with plow

NORTON. A man was killed Tuesday when the car he was driving veered onto the other side of the road and hit a snowplow head-on.

Norton police responded to the West Main Street crash just before 3 p.m.

Police said the driver of SUV, William Lozeau, 50, was traveling west when he veered into the eastbound lane and hit a town plow truck. It was not immediately known what caused Lozeau to swerve into the other lane.

A firefighter was nearby clearing snow from a hydrant and responded to the crash. He attended to Lozeau, who was taken to a hospital where he later died.

The driver of the plow, George Guptill, 48, of Rhode Island, was taken to a hospital for evaluation.

He was not cited for the crash. Police are investigating. METRO

▶ The impact with the plow completely mangled the SUV's front end.

NORTON POLICE

Boston Samaritans to hand out sweet notes at North Station

For love-struck couples, Valentine's Day is the perfect excuse to put on pink, pucker up and pig out on sweets. But for some singles, the Hallmark holiday can really bring on the blues.

That's why a local suicide prevention group this afternoon will put on "'Be Our Valentine" at North Station.

The Samaritans of Boston will shell out handmade cards to commuters traveling in and out of the bustling T station.

"Valentine's Day is a time when everyone is celebrating couples, and if you're not in a loving relationship, or just coming off of a breakup, it can be a particularly sad time," said Roberta Hurtig, executive director of Samaritans.

The group's marketing director, Garrett Owen, said the handwritten valentines aim to make people feel like they are not alone and to spread the word about Samaritans.

"Hopefully [the valentines] remind people that there are folks in Boston that care about them," he said.

It is the first time the organization has put on the Valentine's Day good deed, which is part of its new "Happier Boston Campaign."

"Suicidal people are often dealing with multiple, serious, undiagnosed mental health issues," said Hurtig. "This is not to say something as easy as a valentine or a smile will change that, but it does allow for a moment of conversation."

▶ Here's a sneak peek at some of the valentines that will be handed out this afternoon.

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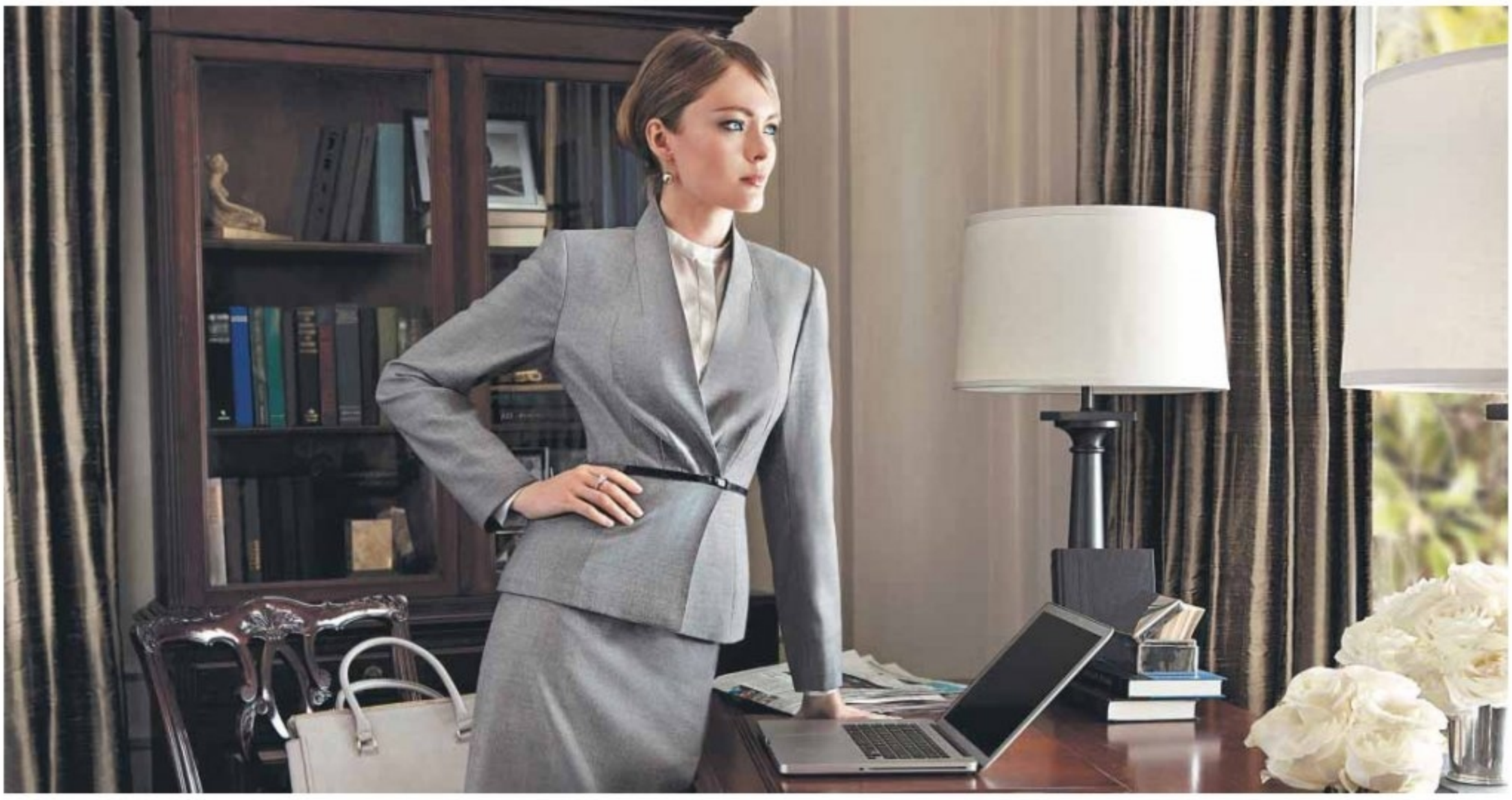

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'Listening Session' for medical marijuana to be held in Roxbury

The Massachusetts Department of Public Health will hold its second "Listening Session" today in Roxbury to get input from the general public on how the state should regulate medical marijuana.

In November, Bay State voters approved Question 3, legalizing medical marijuana in the state. Although the ballot question became law on Jan. 1, the health department has until May 1 to figure out how to implement and regulate the drug.

Today's session will be held at the Reggie Lewis Center in Roxbury, and comes on the heels of the first one, which took place yesterday at the Worcester Public Library.

Dr. Bruce Bedrick, CEO of medical marijuana dispensary company Medbox, spoke at yesterday's session in Worcester.

"I think it's unprecedented that a state has gone ahead and asked for listening sessions for the general public before they make their rules. I think it shows they want to get it right," Bedrick said before the event.

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▶ The listening sessions aim to feel out how state residents think marijuana should be regulated.

"I think it's unprecedented that a state has gone ahead and asked for listening sessions ... before they make the rules." BEDRICK

Each person was allowed three minutes to testify during listening sessions, which do not replace required public hearings on medical marijuana. The final listening session will be held on Feb. 27 in at Holyoke Community College.

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Love. Baked goods

▶ Co-workers, from left, Stacey Pipich, Lindsey Staniszeski, Katie Ellis and Andrea Devoe, give the Pillsbury Doughboy a poke outside South Station yesterday.

NICOLAUS CZARNECKE/METRO

Boston's 'Poppin' Fresh' with love

The Pillsbury Doughboy, also known as "Poppin' Fresh," spread love to Boston commuters traveling through South Station last night. The doughy mascot handed out free kits that contained cans of Pillsbury Cinnamon Rolls and a Valentine's recipe to equip Bostonians for the sweets-centered holiday. According to a spokeswoman, "These special Valentine kits provide everything busy Bostonians will need to make a special Valentine's breakfast in minutes for family and loved ones on Thursday morning." METRO

News in brief

Another sword drawn during So. Coast robbery

NEW BEDFORD. A New Bedford convenience store clerk thwarted a hold up Tuesday by pulling a sword on the would-be robber, according to a report by the New Bedford Standard Times.

Police said the 24-year-old clerk at the Lucky 7 presented the sword, which he keeps behind the counter, when the robber brandished a knife and demanded money.

No one was hurt, and the attempted robber fled without taking any money, but he is still at large, according to the report.

It was the second New Bedford robbery in the last two months to involve a sword.

Robbers in December threatened a Petro Mart clerk with a kitchen knife and a 3-foot samurai sword. Those men got away with cash, cigarettes and rolling papers. METRO

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In the news

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▶ Police road block

Fugitive ex-Los Angeles cop believed dead after gun battle, fire

ANGELUS OAKS, CALIF. The L.A. fugitive ex-cop accused of a grudge-fueled killing spree targeting police officers and their families is believed to have died in a mountain cabin that burned down in the climax to a massive weeklong manhunt across Southern California, authorities said yesterday.

Police were awaiting forensic analysis to confirm that charred human remains found in the smoldering ruins of the cabin were those of the 33-year-old fugitive, Christopher Dorner.

Authorities including Los Angeles Mayor Antonio Villaraigosa said the man, who had barricaded himself inside the cabin during a standoff with police on Tuesday in the snow-swept hills of the San Bernardino National Forest, was almost certainly Dorner. **METRO**

Study: Hyper parents can make college kids depressed

LONDON. Turbo-charged parents still running their college-aged children's schedules, laundry and vacations could be doing more harm than good, with a study showing that these students were more likely to be depressed and dissatisfied.

Researcher Holly Schiffrin from the University of Mary Washington in Virginia found that so-called helicopter parenting negatively affected college students by undermining their need to feel autonomous and competent. **REUTERS**

Time Warner Inc. reportedly seeking buyers for iconic magazines like Time, SI, EW

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▶ Sports Illustrated

Time Warner Inc. is seeking to sell its publishing unit Time Inc. and has met with at least one serious buyer, Fortune magazine reported, citing unnamed sources.

A meeting with a potential buyer was scheduled yesterday, the report said, adding that talks are still in formative stages.

A Time Warner spokesman said the company does not comment on the speculation.

Time Inc. is the publisher of magazine titles like People, Sports Illustrated, InStyle, Entertainment Weekly, Fortune and its namesake newsweekly.

In one possible outcome, the buyer would get most of Time Inc.'s titles, while Time Warner would retain three magazines: Time, Sports Illustrated and Fortune, the report said.

In 2012, revenue at Time Inc. dropped 7 percent to $3.4 billion because of declines in advertising and subscription revenue. Operating income fell 25 percent for the same period.

Time Inc. announced in January that it planned to cut about 500 jobs, or about 6 percent of its workforce. **REUTERS**

TV growth

The company's television business, which includes HBO and other cable networks, has been generating most of its growth. Affiliate fees — the money paid by cable companies to carry the company's programming — helped earnings top analysts' estimates last quarter.

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JUSTIN BIEBER: 'BELIEBE' IN LOVE!

Enter Metro's Valentine's Day contest for a chance to meet Justin Bieber
Warning: The competition is fierce **'I get a lot of marriage proposals,' he says**

Enter Metro's Justin Bieber contest, and you'll have a chance to meet him backstage at a future show (see details on this page). Alas, we weren't so lucky. But the superstar did answer some questions about his new album, "Believe Acoustic," via e-mail, shortly before heading out on his European tour.

On "Believe Acoustic," you sound rawer and more available than on previous big production tracks. How do you make that intimacy sound authentic, even though you're ... Justin Bieber?
It sounds authentic because it is. Acoustic performances, whether busking in my hometown or on YouTube, are how I got started. Songs and performances like that really give me the chance to connect with my fans. That connection is why I perform an acoustic set as part of my Believe Tour every night.

Does this bring us closer to the "real" Justin?
I think everything I put out is a representation of the real me. But this album definitely allows the public to see a different side of me than "Believe." The sound of this album is a lot rawer and more exposed.

I ask because previous stars your age — Justin Timberlake, Britney Spears — usually start to define their sound for an older audience around this time. Where are you going?
I'm just growing up and my sound is maturing with me. I don't spend a lot of time planning where my music will go next. I just write about what is going on in my life and how I am feeling, and it's causing the music to grow with me in a very organic way.

Lots of guys in dorm rooms everywhere play acoustic guitars to pick up girls ... and fail, because they look cheesy. What tips do you have for them?
Be confident.

What's the wildest offer that you've had from a fan?
I get a lot of marriage proposals.

We have to ask about "Nothing Like Us," a song about your breakup with Selena Gomez. You told Billboard you're not in the happiest place and have friends to get you through. What have you learned about relationships?
I have learned a lot about who I am and who I want to be.

And?
I've also learned how to be there for someone else.

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Quoted

"I'm just growing up and my sound is maturing with me. I just write about what is going on in my life."

JUSTIN BIEBER, WHOSE NEW ALBUM IS "BELIEVE ACOUSTIC"

Here's how Metro readers can enter:

1 Readers photograph themselves with this Metro Love Issue in a place they'd take Bieber on a date.

2 They upload the photo to Metro's Facebook "I BELIEBE IN LOVE" app. Entrants choose the Metro Facebook page of the city closest to them ("Metro Boston," "Metro New York" or "Metro Philly"). The app will be a featured tab on each city's page.

3 Entrants solicit votes for their photo by generating "likes." The more "likes" a photo gets, the better the chances of being selected as a winner! Contest entrants can gather more votes via Twitter using the hashtag #IBeliebeInLove and the handles of each Metro US city (@metronewyork, @MetroBOS and @MetroPhilly).

4 The winner's experience will be covered globally in Metro.

Bieber's V-Day playlist

Justin creates his ultimate romantic mixtape — fire up the iTunes and turn down the lights.

- **"I'll Make Love To You"** Boyz II Men
- **"As Long As You Love Me"** Justin Bieber ft. Big Sean
- **"You Are Not Alone"** Michael Jackson
- **"7 Days"** Craig David
- **"Back at One"** Brian McKnight
- **"Climax"** Usher
- **"Because of You"** Ne-Yo
- **"Let's Get It On"** Marvin Gaye
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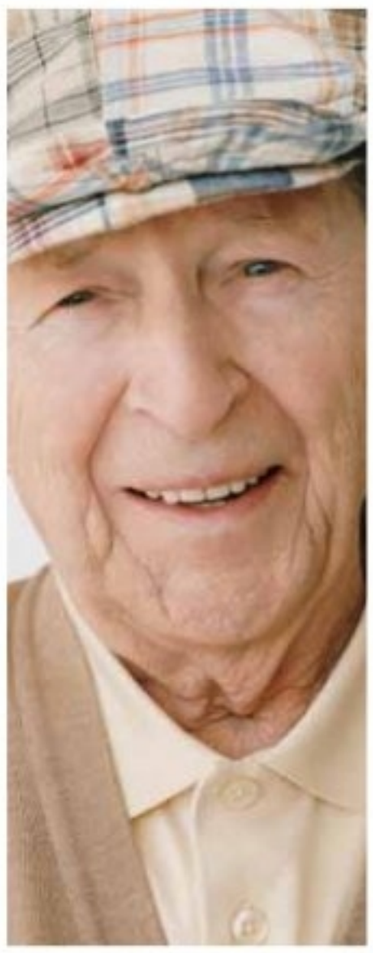

We asked six people, in different generations, for their take on romance and being in love Here's what they had to say about 'textual chemistry' and more

If you're romantically interested in someone, how do you let them know?

Glenn Best, 28: I'm fairly straightforward. I'm not afraid to tell somebody if I'm interested in them. I've been in enough relationships to date that I just go for what I want.

Rachel Remz, 31: I generally act like a crazy person and talk to them nonstop. I just start talking them nonstop about anything.

Alice Barlow, 29: I get really drunk and let them know in a really sloppy way.

Best: I wouldn't be afraid to also become physical with someone I was into if I thought if they were open to it as well. I think it's a nice way to let someone know.

Frank Marchesa, 45: I don't know. It's been too long, I've been married for 21 years.

John Killian, 61: Well, I've been married 40 years. I was Homecoming king for my high school, and I had to have a date. I was very shy, and I thought I'd ask the one girl who'd say no so I could get out of it. She said yes, and she's my wife.

While you're dating that person, how do you tell them you love them?

Marchesa: I guess I just said it. It's nothing special.

George Haeberlein, 67: It just came out one time. I think it was unplanned, spontaneous.

Remz: It's usually we're drunk, and I'll be like, "Oh my God, I love you" when were making out.

Barlow: I do the stupidest, cheesiest girl thing. It will be after we have sex, and I'll be all cute and say "I love you."

Killian: Well, for me it was probably to have sex. I had to say that before I could get it.

What's the way you communicate most with a lover?

Killian: Still on the phone. I travel a lot. I don't do the Facebook with her or anything like that.

Marchesa: Call and see her in person. A lot of phone calls, too.

Remz: I'm a texter. I text people all the time. Even my friends know if I'm into a dude, you will get 1 million texts from me. And now I'll Instagram them all the time. I'll Instagram at them.

Barlow: It's in person for me. If I'm dating someone, all day, every day there's a lot of texting going on, but then I try to hang out with them in person.

Best: I would say in person. I'm very much a face-to-face person. Texting would be a close second, I would say.

How do you know when you're in love?

Haeberlein: We know each other so well, we can anticipate. You don't have to say things at times: You just do it.

Marchesa: I guess it comes down to when you want to be around the person all the time. That's pretty much it.

Killian: [It's] knowing that you want to be with that person when you're not with them and looking forward to seeing them when you're not with them.

Best: It's very emotional thing. I think that's what love is. You can think and overthink it. I just listen to my emotions. It's something you can feel.

Remz: For me it's that sinking feeling. You know how I know? They are incredibly wrong; they do incredibly terrible things. It's just awful — and I will just go for it.

Do you text?

"Texting has made it less romantic. I think, 'This is a guy who I could be interested in,' and then we text all the time. Then, in person there's just no ... textual chemistry." REMZ, 31

Why tell someone you're in love?

"Well, for me it was probably to have sex. I had to say that before I could get it." KILLIAN, 61

App that

Bang with Friends
Connect with your Facebook friends—carnally. This new app keeps your crushes private, unless your crush wants to sleep with you, too. Bonus: It recently released an option for gays, after much criticism.

Barlow: I know when I stop calling my friends.

How does texting affect romance?

Remz: I think [texting] has made it less romantic. I think, "This is a guy who I could be interested in," and then we text all the time. Then, in person there's just no … textual chemistry.

Barlow: It's made it way too controlled. Before you would say things and then you'd say, "Oh s—, did I say something weird? Did I mess it up?" Now like everything is so planned and controlled because of text messages. It's made it a lot more safe and not as fun. The fun is in the risk.

Best: I think that it changes the face-to-face interaction because you can actually be in touch with someone anytime you want constantly.

Killian: It's opened up new horizons, but it's very impersonal.

Haeberlein: You don't have that much contact.

Best: Constantly being able to connect with people anytime kind of lowers the pressure that exists in the moment in person.

Is romance dead?

Barlow: Hell to the yes.

Remz: I am weirdly, outwardly the least hopelessly romantic person you will ever meet, but I do believe romance is alive. I think people do sweet things for you. It's unbelievable when somebody does it.

Marchesa: It just doesn't seem the same. The technology kills it. Facebook killed it all. Spontaneity is the most important thing in a relationship. Going out to dinner, just jumping in a car and going on vacation. Just something, going away for a weekend. I don't think that happens anymore.

Q&A

Do you think older people are more or less romantic than your generation?

Remz: Kind of both, because there's a certain level of our generation where everything's temporary because of the Internet.

Best: I think they're different times, different explanations. It was a different type of courtship, and I do think it was more romantic.

Remz: [In] our parent's generation, people stayed together and they went through the hard times together. Now if there's a hard time you bail.

Do you think young people are more or less romantic than your generation?

Killian: I think it was more about the courting and dating [in my day] than about meeting people with groups.

Haeberlein: It's much more difficult than it used to be — well not difficult, but different. You don't form a bond.

Marchesa: I don't think they get it, to be honest with you. They don't get the whole thing.

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Q&A: Worst Valentine's Day gift?

"Someone wrote song lyrics to me: 'You've had a lotta dick Chasey/But you ain't had mine.'" MILNE

Q&A: Is dinner a gift?

"Yes, it's enough of a gift for Valentine's Day because it's expensive and I'm tight." ARTHEY

On Valentine's Day romance:

"You know, it's been eight years, so it's not very special these days." NEWTON

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Does dinner count?

You can't buy my love ... but you can buy me food We ask three guys and girls this question: Does dinner count as enough of a gift for Valentine's Day?

Laura Milne

Voiceover agent, 28

Does dinner count as enough of a gift for Valentine's Day?
"Personally, I'd say yes because I think too much thought goes into this. Being taken out for dinner is a lovely gesture."
Does a man have to pay though?
"It's whoever instigates the dinner, so not necessarily."
Instigates? That doesn't sound very romantic?
"I'm very romantic. I wouldn't be averse to splitting a bill. If I say to someone 'I'm taking you out for dinner,' I'd pay. If I'm invited out, I'd presume that they'd pay."
What's been your worst Valentine's gift?
"Someone wrote song lyrics to me."
What was it?
"'The Ballad of Chasey Lain' by the Bloodhound Gang." [Sings]
"'You've had a lotta dick
Had a lotta dick
I've had a lotta time
Had a lotta time
You've had a lotta dick Chasey
But you ain't had mine.'"
Who did that?
"I don't know. It was bad."
Is there pressure to have sex on Valentine's Day?
"Yeah, absolutely — it's Valentine's Day."
You must be thinking, "Every time I get taken out, I've got to have sex with them."
"If I'm going out with someone, yeah there's a bit of pressure. But it wouldn't necessarily be a bad thing. If I'm being bought dinner there's ... not an obligation."

Michael Arthey

Graphic designer, 25

Does dinner count as enough of a gift for Valentine's Day?
"Yes, it's enough of a gift for Valentine's Day because it's expensive and I'm tight. Food and wine is very expensive, and if you're going to take them for a nice meal – which you should – it's going to cost you a lot of money."
Has it got to be Michelin-starred?
"I wouldn't go that far, I'm only 25. But it has to be nicer than a Nando's [flamed-grilled chicken restaurant chain]."
Would you split the bill?
"I'd be tempted to ask for that, but I know the answer."
What's that?
"'F— off'."
Do you get sex afterward?
"It depends how I feel. I might have a headache. It depends."
Any bad Valentine's experiences?
"Well, I didn't plan one year and I didn't get a table until about 10 o'clock at night in a pretty bad pub, and I bought her a Valentine's card that she didn't see the funny side of."
What did it say?
"'Happy F—ing Valentine's Day'."
Did you get sex afterward?
No.

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Josie Newton

City worker, 26

Does dinner count as enough of a gift for Valentine's Day?
"As long as there's a card as well, yes."
Is that all there is to it?
"Well, when I first met Danny I bought a gift and a card and he didn't buy me anything — I was a bit offended."
What did you buy?
"I bought him a nice gift: a CD and some aftershave. And I didn't even get a card. But he took me for dinner which made up for it. I have since learned not to buy him anything, but he has since learned that he has to get me a card."
It's like training a dog, isn't it?
"A little bit. Dinner is always on him."
Do you actually care about Valentine's Day?
"No, but I do want to go out for a meal and get a card. I expect a meal and a card. Actually, we've stayed in on Valentine's Day and cooked before."
Did you "go dutch" on the cooking?
"Oh I can't remember."
So it wasn't that special then. What do you expect this year?
"A restaurant that I've booked because I like it and he's going to pay. We discussed a few places and we settled on one and I didn't not want to get a table. You know, it's been eight years, so it's not very special these days." [Laughs]
Do you go home and read a book next to each other?
[Laughs] "Yeah, in silence."

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The lost art of the love letter

Use this

Mad Libs love letter?

Still stuck on what to write? New York dating coach and flirting expert Tracy Steinberg came up with a form letter that might help you out. Just use as many appropriate adjectives where suggested.

NAME OF PERSON,

I've been thinking about you a lot lately and how grateful I am that you are in my life. I'm actually crazy in love with you. I still remember when we first met at _____ and how excited I was to have met such a (beautiful, charming, brilliant, hysterically funny and/or kind) person. You were the most _____ and you still are today. As I get to know you better, my feelings for you have deepened and my appreciation for your _____ has as well. You are _____ and I love that you _____. I will love you every day for the rest of my life.

Love,
YOUR NAME

▶ It's sealed with a kiss.

Want to get lucky this Valentine's Day? Try writing a love letter. You could even do it on actual, you know, letterhead. We're talking about putting pen to paper.

In the Facebook era, it's the height of romance "because there is a certain level of effort behind love letters, especially because we're so wired today," Dr. Azadeh Aalai, a psychology professor at Montgomery College. "If you're sending a text, you don't know if it's being sent to multiple people. How many people even known the addresses of their friends and acquaintances?"

Records of love letters have been found as far back as ancient Egypt, and as recently as every other pop song. Throughout the ages, what connects all good love letters is their ability to flatter the recipient and reveal how the sender feels about that special someone. Most importantly, the most effective ones have been penned by hand.

"People still appreciate having something tangible," Tracy Steinberg, a dating coach and flirting expert based in New York, said. "I'm not dismissing the value of a sweet text or e-mail, but there is something nice about having a letter that your lover gave you."

Science supports this. Aalai said that there's a different psychological connection made when a person sees a written signature versus a typed name. Also, the shorthand and acronyms we use while typing don't hold the same "prose and beauty" of the written word.

Try and you shall succeed

Dianne Gottsman, a national etiquette expert and the owner of the Protocol School of Texas in San Antonio (yes, that place really exists), paralleled the difference between a handwritten love letter and an e-mailed one to showing up to a date with your hair combed and a clean shirt versus showing up with messy hair and a wrinkled shirt you've been wearing all day.

"For a special occasion, it feels much better to receive something that you've put in more effort." Or you could just fill out the form letter above.

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Secrets revealed

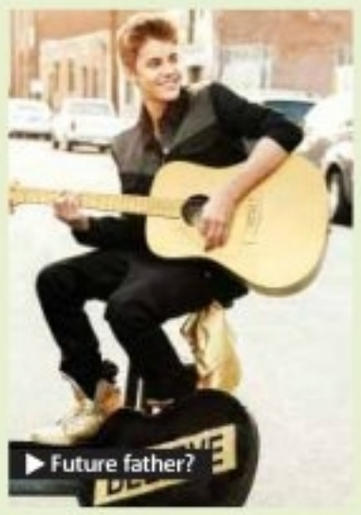
What women really want

If you thought a cute smile, big guns and a shiny sports car was enough to seduce the girl of your dreams, think again. What women really want is ... someone to be a good dad?

Since women bear the brunt of reproduction, they become very choosy about their mating partners, according to evolutionary psychologist Dr. Nick Neave. They tend to "select" men in relation to their own background, experiences and the kind of relationship they are after.

"Each woman is different. But given a choice, there are general physical, behavioral and psychological characteristics that they gravitate toward," he explains. Here's the process:

Stage 1: Unconscious evaluations


▶ Future father?

▶ **Understanding the forces of attraction:** A weave of factors are at play when it comes to establishing attraction: "Within seconds, a woman will have evaluated a male's reproductive fitness and his ability to contribute to a household," Sheri Jacobsen, clinical director and senior psychotherapist at Harley Therapy in London, tells Metro. "And she won't even be aware of these thoughts. ... She wants any child she may bring into this world to be fit and healthy and live in comfort."

▶ **Physical factors:** "Generally, all women like a man to be relatively muscular and broad-shouldered. Overall symmetry of both facial features and the body are preferred. Very rarely do they fall for men who are shorter than themselves," says Dr. Neave. "Women also appreciate the more obvious signs of masculinity, such as a beard and a deep voice."

▶ **Social factors:** Social Psychologist Dr. Justin J. Lehmiller explains how women tend to be attracted to men with "status and resources," a theory also backed by Jacobsen. Women will unconsciously be ranking a potential mate in terms of security: "A women's brain will be picking up on all exterior signs of status. Is his profession respectable? Is he well-dressed? Does he drive a nice car? Can he provide for me financially?"

Stage 2: Playing for keeps

Surface evaluations: Jacobsen explains how "looks, mannerisms and personality" establish the attraction between a man and a woman. These are matched up against the woman's preferences, which have most likely been shaped by earlier relationships. MWN

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Metro's **Dorothy Robinson** shares her take on the world of gossip @dorothyatmetro dorothy.robinson@metro.us

The feed ...

Checking in with some of Hollywood's biggest names to see what they've been up to — in their own words, in 140 characters or fewer.

Today, Emma Bunton is having Twitter trouble, Carrie Underwood is very close to her pets, Jim Carrey is troubled by all the gun violence and Adele is setting the record straight about her Grammys "spat."

@EmmaBunton
I've been hacked!!!!

@carrieunderwood
Why do dogs' paws smell like Fritos? More importantly, why do I love to smell my dogs' paws? These are a couple of life's big questions...

@JimCarrey
America has become the biggest gun club in the world and every single day now we are seeing that Karma played out.

@OfficialAdele
Chris Brown and I were complimenting each other in that photo actually!

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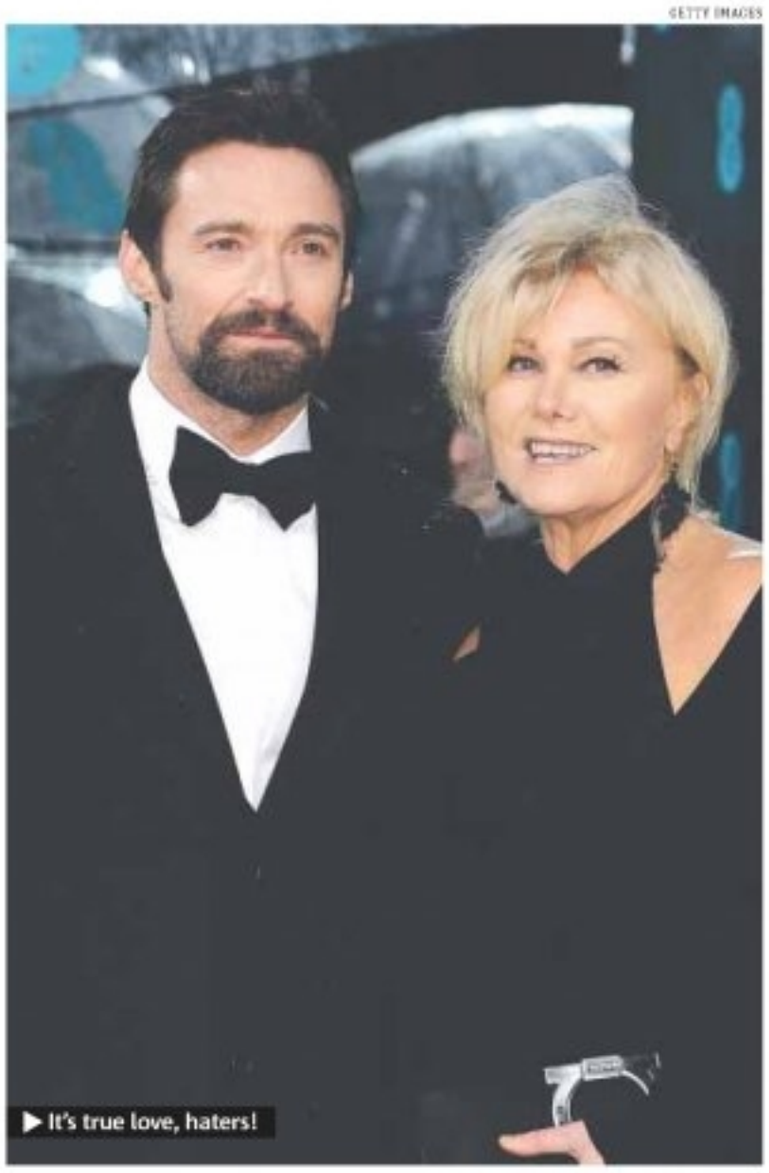

It's true love, haters!

Hugh Jackman: Nope, not gay

Just because he has a deep love of musical theater, lives in the West Village and has a slightly older wife does not make **Hugh Jackman** gay. In an in-depth interview with The Hollywood Reporter, the Australian star addressed the gay rumors that constantly swirl around him. "It bugs her," Jackman, 44, said about what his wife of 16 years, **Deborra-Lee Furness**, 57, reads online.

His "X-Men" producer **Lauren Shuler Donner** even went on record to talk about Jackman's marriage to Donner. "I have seen him with Deborra since the beginning of their trip to Hollywood, and I've been on five movie sets with him and have never seen him stray — have never seen him eye anyone," she said.

Doth thou protest too much? Who gets their producer on record to talk about the state of their marriage? See? I'm doing it too! Why can't we believe that a handsome, successful matinee idol can be happily in love with someone who doesn't fit into the Hollywood stereotype? Aren't we at the point where he could come out if he wanted to? Or am I just dreaming big here?

Quoted

"I met him when he did 'Oklahoma!' [at London's Royal National Theatre in 1999]. He was genuine, hugely talented. He was in love with his wife that day and still is."
DONNER, ON JACKMAN

Not shaken nor stirred for Jackman

Jackman on the roles he auditioned for but passed over for various reasons:

- He was offered Richard Gere's Oscar-nominated role in "Chicago" but decided he was too young for the part.
- He was offered the lead in "Drive" but was hesitant to work with director Nicolas Winding Refn.
- He didn't take on the James Bond franchise as he didn't want to get pigeonholed in action films (because, you know, he is Wolverine). "I thought it would box me in too much," he said.

Cool dad alert: Steve Martin

Steve Martin reportedly became a dad for the first time when his 41-year-old wife, **Anne Stringfield**, "had a baby" in December, according to the New York Post, but the real story is that the 67-year-old comedian has managed to keep the story under wraps. "How they kept it a secret nobody knows," a source says. "Steve's very private. They are thrilled. They worked hard to have the baby." The pair was recently spotted with a baby in Los Angeles.

Talking points

Willis cops to a former drinking problem

Bruce Willis admits he used to have a drinking problem, leading to a brief foray into complete sobriety, but he's past all that now. "I had been sober [for a while]," he tells GQ magazine, explaining that he eased off his personal prohibition "once I realized that I wasn't going to run myself off the pier of life with alcohol, drinking vodka out of the bottle every day." As for his current drinking habits? "I have wine now, mostly when I eat," he says. Of course, Willis is still facing the unstoppable

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Willis

march of time. "Nobody want to hear this bad news, but we're all dying on some level," he says. "I'm going to try to keep this machine moving forward as much as possible and not have to think about the eventuality of becoming more frail and less able to do the work. I know that I'm not going into politics. That's not an option."

Swift and the Mayer/Underwood Grammy drama

Taylor Swift had more exes on her mind at the Grammys than just **Harry Styles**, whom she mocked during her performance of "We are Never Ever Getting Back Together." The lovelorn singer also made a point of avoiding ex-boyfriend **John Mayer** and his current squeeze, **Katy Perry**, despite being seated near each other, according to Us Weekly. And as for reports that Grammys organizers were ordered to keep Swift away from rival **Carrie Underwood**? "Taylor feels Carrie is always rude to her, so she steers clear of her," a source tells the magazine, pointing out that "after Carrie performed, Taylor didn't stand. Everyone else did."

Gaga's health condition postpones tour, per Twitter

Lady Gaga has postponed her next four concerts because a joint inflammation condition called synovitis has left her unable to walk, she revealed on Twitter. "I've been hiding a show injury and chronic pain for sometime now. Over the past month it has worsened," the singer tweeted. "I've been praying it would heal. I hid it from my staff, I didn't want to disappoint my amazing fans. However, after last night's performance I could not walk and still can't." Makeup dates for the canceled shows — in Chicago, Detroit and Hamilton, Ontario — have yet to be announced.

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We couldn't resist an entire page of pups

From little fluffballs to big ones: An Old English Sheepdog named Bugaboo's Picture Perfect was the Herding Group Winner. A total of 2,721 dogs from 187 breeds and varieties competed at the show.

"OK Mom, I'm ready for my close-up!" Diogi, a Spinone Italianio, got a blowout pre-show.

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This precious little fluffball, a bichon frise named Honor, was the Non-Sporting Group Winner at Tuesday's show.

LOOK AT THIS TERRIER'S FACIAL FUR!

Tucker the Cocker Spaniel was going for the ABBA-meets-Farrah Fawcett look, it seems.

JACE CHASSA

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We have a winner! Banana Joe, an Affenpinscher, won Best of Show during the Westminster Kennel Club Dog Show Tuesday at Madison Square Garden. This week, he's getting the royal treatment: Yesterday, he was served a steak on a silver platter at Sardi's and got to visit the Empire State Building; today, he rang the opening bell at the New York Stock Exchange. It's a dog's life!

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TV watch list

'Zero Hour'

DRAMA. "ER" star Anthony Edwards returns to TV to portray a magazine publisher who must embark on a mysterious hunt for his wife after she is kidnapped from her antique clock shop. The apocalypse, the paranormal, terrorists, a treasure map and Nazi Germany are among the show's curiosities. If that's not enough to entice you, just tune in to catch a glimpse of the former Dr. Greene back in action. **8 p.m., Series premiere, ABC**

'American Idol'

REALITY. "You're going to Hollywood!" will be a thing of the past after tonight, when the top 40 singers are revealed and the competition shifts into high gear. **8 p.m., FOX**

'Glee'

MUSICAL. The New Directions members reunite to celebrate the Valentine's Day marriage of Will and Emma, also known as "Wemma." Based on spoilers that have leaked and the fact that this is network television, not everything may go as planned. **9 p.m., FOX**

MATTHEW JACOBS

Seven characters 'In His Pockets'

Playing more than half the roles in the Lyric's latest, actor Phil Taylor has the 'Stones' to pull it off

There are 15 characters in "Stones In His Pockets," but just two actors.

"I'm not 100 percent sure why [playwright] Marie Jones felt that was the best way to do it. But it's the most interesting for sure," says actor Phil Taylor, who plays seven of those roles.

How is such a feat possible?

"There are no costume changes. It's just quick physical changes, quick vocal changes," explains Taylor. "There are some scenes where actors are actually talking to themselves."

The play is set in a rural Irish town that's been infiltrated by an American film crew. Taylor plays most of the Irish characters.

"I have four Irish dialects, a Cockney accent and a female standard Irish accent," he says. "The big goal is to not sound like an American actor playing an Irish character."

Authenticity — or lack thereof — is a big theme in the play. The Hollywood crew wants a romanticized version of Ireland for their movie.

Lyric man

Taylor is a regular at the Lyric Stage. He was a star in last year's "Avenue Q," and he'll be in the company's production of "On The Town" in May.

"You think rolling hills, farmland, gorgeous open spaces and Guinness by the pint," says Taylor. "Then there's the flip side: the bleak rain and poverty, the potato famine."

The filmmakers ask one of Taylor's characters, a young Irishman cast as an extra, to do "typical Irish things."

"He doesn't understand what they mean, because it's the American notion of what Ireland is," says Taylor.

'Stones In His Pockets'
Friday through March 16
Lyric Stage
140 Clarendon St., Boston
$25-$58, 617-585-5678
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▶ Taylor, center, delighted audiences in the Lyric's "Big River" in 2011.

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2 'Safe Haven' Julianne Hough and Josh Duhamel star as a mysterious woman and a suffering widower who fall in love despite the secrets that haunt their pasts in this new romantic thriller (yes, that's what they're calling it).

3 'Escape From Planet Earth' When alien astronaut Scorch is trapped while responding to an SOS call from planet Earth, a team of his fellow aliens band together to rescue him from the treacherous planet in this animated film.

4 'Identity Thief' Jason Bateman stars as a straightlaced businessman who is determined to take his identity back from an unsuspecting con artist, played by the always-funny Melissa McCarthy in this comedy.

Must-see

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▶ Viola Davis, Alice Englert and Alden Ehrenreich star in "Beautiful Creatures," out today.

5 'Beautiful Creatures' Alden Ehrenreich and Alice Englert star as young lovers fighting against the odds in a small, Southern town. Their love is jeopardized when Englert must fight the evil powers threatening to take over her future in this supernatural love story.

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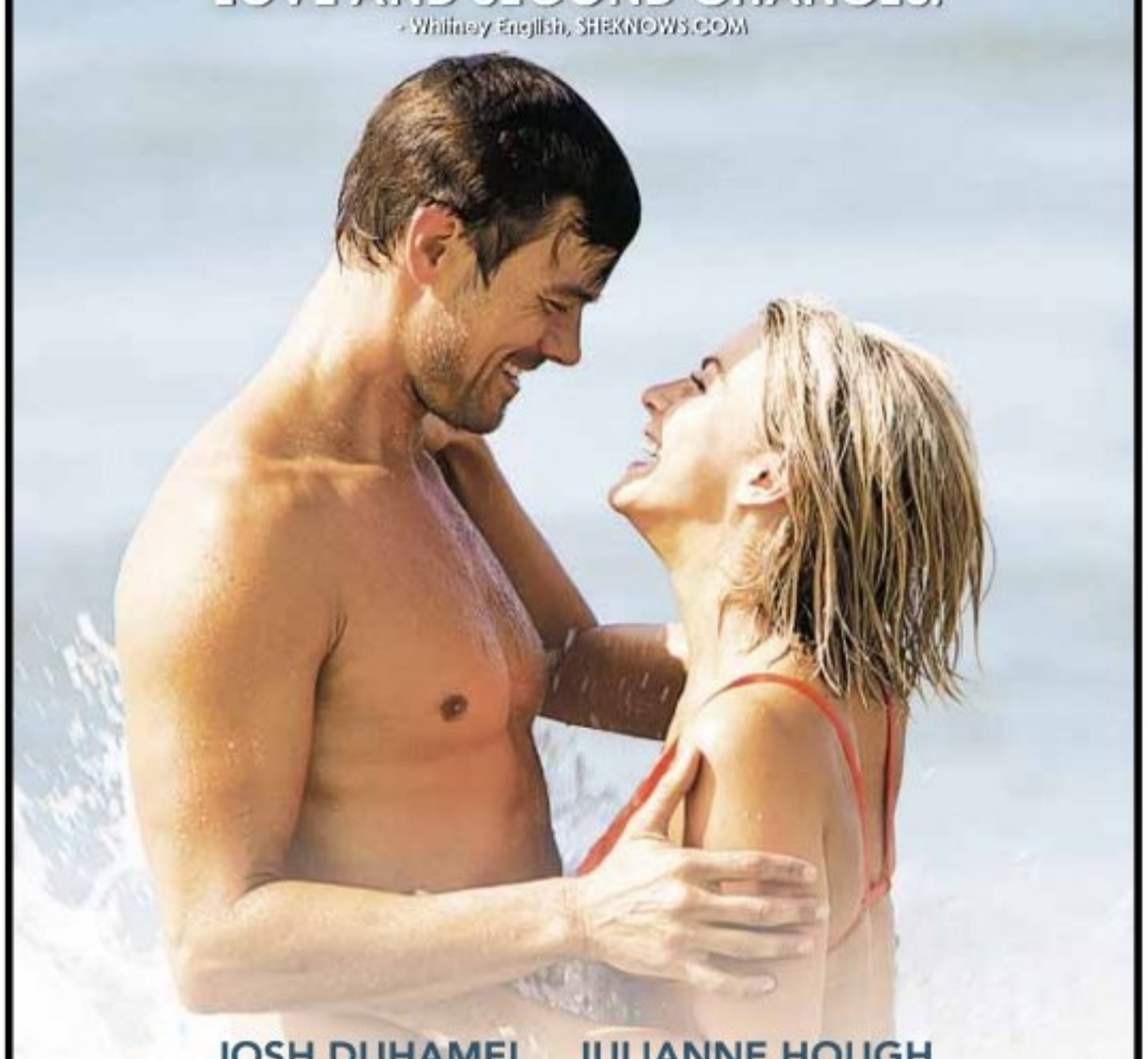

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When what you get is a Valentine's Day bummer

Lower the expectations of the day ◗ Be honest but keep an open mind ◗ Ways to express your love

Shrink Wrap

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There are plenty of people out there who are hoping the day of hearts will bring them the gift they want most. It is a day full of wishes, red-wrapped gifts, candy hearts and — whether you like it or not — occasional disappointment.

There is so much expectation wrapped into this one special day because we attach our significant other's love to the gift they give us. Sometimes, that all-important item you are hoping for just isn't sitting in the tissue paper when you open the box. So if you don't get the present you were expecting, or if you don't like the one you got, what can you do? Most importantly, how can you get through the day feeling better and not worse about the one you love?

This one 24-hour period carries a lot of weight for couples. Some people deal with that pressure by choosing to play it down. Maybe they are a nonconformist, or feel they don't need a holiday to show their love. If that's the case, try to talk about it to see where your valentine is coming from so you can better understand it.

If you are given something you don't like, thank your partner graciously but see if there is the option of taking it back. If there is, explain why you might like something else — what's in the box is too dressy or too bright — and then invite them along to choose something else. Use it as an opportunity to teach them about your tastes. If there is no chance for a return or exchange, be receptive. If your loved one likes the gift they gave, try to be open to their taste and you might expand your own horizons.

The most important thing to keep in mind is that Valentine's Day is to express your love, whether or not your partner's generosity is packaged quite the way you had hoped. No matter what you receive, remember that it's still carrying love and you will appreciate it more — and so will your Valentine.

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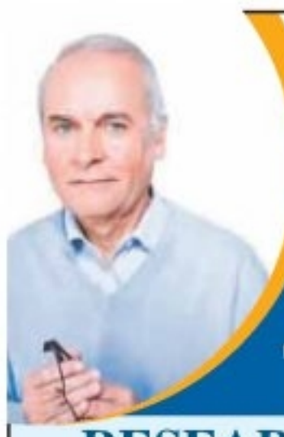
"You shouldn't have. Really."



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Nashoba Valley Ski Area
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Summit Elevation: 440 ft.
Vertical Drop: 240 ft.
Number of Lifts: 9
Number of Trails: 17
Come to Nashoba from Feb. 14 to 18 and ski with freestyle legend Wayne Wong. Hot-dog pioneer and inventor of the Wong Banger, Wayne is credited with developing the style of skiing and promoting the sport of freestyle skiing. In 2009, he was inducted into the Canadian Ski Hall of Fame and has been ranked one of the top skiers of all time by Skiing, Ski and Powder magazines. Don't miss your chance to ski with this living legend.

MAINE

Saddleback Ski Area
www.saddlebackmaine.com
Summit Elevation: 4,120 ft.
Vertical Drop: 2,000 ft.
Number of Lifts: 5
Number of Trails: 66
On Feb. 19, Saddleback will welcome comedian Bob Marley. Celebrating 15 years doing stand-up, Bob is one of the hottest and most sought-after comedians in the country. He has been featured in his own special on Comedy Central and is one of the few comics to do the complete late-night TV circuit: "The Late Show with David Letterman," "The Tonight Show with Jay Leno," "Late Night with Conan O'Brien" and "The Late Late Show" with Craig Ferguson and Craig Kilborn. Marley, a Maine native and University of Maine at Farmington graduate, uses biographical and observational material for his high-energy routines.

NEW HAMPSHIRE

Loon Mountain
www.loonmtn.com
Summit Elevation: 3,050 ft.
Vertical Drop: 2,100 ft.
Number of Lifts: 12
Number of Trails: 60
Loon will hold Lil' Tweakers, a laid-back mini-jump event for all snowboarders ages 14 and under, on Feb. 17. Riders will spin the Crab Grab Wheel of Grabs and go for maximum style on all types of grabs, from indy to truck-driver. Loon Mountain Team riders will be on-hand to demonstrate new grabs and give tips on tweakage. There are prizes from Crab Grab, GNU, Electric, Volcom and High Cascade Snowboard Camp all up for grabs. Join us for this one-of-a-kind event.

Mount Washington Resort — Bretton Woods
www.brettonwoods.com
Summit Elevation: 3,100 ft.
Vertical Drop: 1,500 ft.
Number of Lifts: 9
Number of Trails: 102
Join Bretton Woods for six days of safe jumping, spinning and flipping on the best training tool for skiers and riders you have ever seen. Running Feb. 19 to 24, the Acrobag Progression World Tour will be on-site to offer coaching and training for anyone who's interested in safely learning new tricks. From young children to seniors, this 50' x 50' giant cushion of air has been proven safe for all ages and ability levels, no matter how comfortable you are in the air.

VERMONT

Stratton Mountain Resort
www.Stratton.com
Summit Elevation: 3,875 ft.
Vertical Drop: 2,003 ft.
Number of Lifts: 11
Number of Trails: 94
Stratton will kick off its Fire and Ice Festival starting Feb. 16 and running through Feb. 24. The event features fun, games and family activities. Sweet treats are served up by Stratton's bear, with gondi games and special events scheduled every day. Celebrate winter at its peak with favorite winter activities, including snow tubing, snowshoeing and cross-country skiing, ice-skating on the Mill Pond, dogsled rides, snowmobile tours, yoga and exercise classes and more.

Stowe Mountain Resort
www.Stowe.com
Summit Elevation: 4,395 ft.
Vertical Drop: 2,160 ft.
Number of Lifts: 13
Number of Trails: 116
The Steep Canyon Rangers, 2013 Grammy winners for Best Bluegrass Album, will perform at Stowe on Feb. 16. The North Carolina quintet has a reputation for smooth vocals, smart songwriting, ferocious instrumentals and jaw-dropping harmony. Their 2010 release "Deep in the Shade" remained in the Bluegrass Top 10 on the Billboard charts for 18 weeks. Their 2011 collaboration with Steve Martin, "Rare Bird Alert," also received a Grammy nomination for Best Bluegrass Album. Tickets are $35 to $52, including tax.

Vermont

▶ Ricky Johnson

Mount Snow

www.mountsnow.com
Summit Elevation: 3,600 ft.
Vertical Drop: 1,700 ft.
Number of Lifts: 20
Number of Trails: 80
Mount Snow will welcome the Red Bull Frozen Rush on Feb. 15. For the first time ever, a short course, off-road Pro4 racing truck will take to the snow in Vermont's Green Mountains to battle gravity and the elements. The four-wheel-drive vehicle, designed to handle just about anything a summertime off-road speedway can throw at it, will face an onslaught of new challenges when it enters winter's frozen playground. Veteran course builders Snow Park Technologies will join forces with Mount Snow's operations team to design a one-of-a-kind hill-cross course that will surely put champion off-road racer Ricky Johnson and his truck to the ultimate test. When completed, Red Bull Frozen Rush will warrant a different perspective of weather restrictions for motor sports.

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The hands only act as the heart instructs

RE: "US: RICH IN GUNS, POOR IN ANSWERS" (METRO, FEB. 12) Letter writer Shifra Freewoman seems to believe guns, the objects, are to blame for violence.

What ever happened to personal responsibility? Our country has a long history involving the right to bear arms and these crazy mass shootings did not happen. People need to stop and think of the real contributing factors, such as violent movies and video games that young children are exposed to and the growing mental health crisis.

If guns are banned, you'll be reading about mass slashings which happens in China where guns are banned — or growing incidents of acid throwing like in the Middle East.

Ms. Freewoman, it comes down to what's in the heart, not the hand. People who wish to inflict violence and pain will always find a way.

The statistics of violence from bats and hammers in the U.S. are just as high, if not higher! Let's take a look at the real issues inside the person.

REBECCA BELLISARIO, VIA E-MAIL

Quoted

"Two problems, two solutions: Only women are allowed to own and carry guns; Congress must go NASCAR — they should have to wear patches with logos of the businesses that they represent. Then we'll know who they really work for."

ROBERT BRENNA, VIA E-MAIL

Not even trumpets of the Second Coming will revive religious fervor

As a lifelong Catholic, I neither celebrate nor condemn Benedict's resignation, given Mother Church ceased to play any meaningful role in my life over 30 years ago. The next pope will have to confront the Church's pedophilia cover-ups, its ever-growing financial scandals and the simple reality the Vatican lost its moral and temporal authority over its flock long ago.

Nothing — not the election of a black pope, allowing women into the priesthood, not even the Second Coming itself — can hope change this.

JOSEPH CONNELL, VIA E-MAIL

IOC knows which sports are the real tests of athletics

The International Olympic Committee voted to eliminate Wrestling from the 2020 Summer Games. And rightly so! After all, they need to make room for "real sports" like bowling, golf, darts and bocce. God forbid they should get rid of yachting.

ROBERT LA ROSA, VIA E-MAIL

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Horoscope

♒ Aquarius **Jan. 20-Feb. 19.** You always require a degree of independence and freedom in life, so don't hem yourself in with a tight itinerary. Leave plenty of room for impromptu developments.

♓ Pisces **Feb. 20-March 20.** There is a good possibility that you will collect payment on an old loan that you had completely written off. If this should occur, be appreciative without overdoing it.

♈ Aries **March 21-April 19.** Challenging conditions are more likely to stimulate your positive qualities than negative ones. Success makes you feel like a winner.

♉ Taurus **April 20-May 20.** A friend for whom you did a favor will find an opportunity to repay you. Your pal will step to the plate without being asked.

♊ Gemini **May 21-June 20.** It's to your benefit to study the successful procedures of an associate. You're likely to discover some new tactics that you could put to good use.

♋ Cancer **June 21-July 22.** Resistance you are facing on a major project can be alleviated if you just make a few tweaks. Once these are implemented, you can go forward with alacrity and aplomb.

♌ Leo **July 23-Aug. 22.** Be sure that what you do at work also produces benefits for your co-workers. They, in turn, will be more responsive to your needs and requests. Remember, one hand washes the other.

♍ Virgo **Aug. 23-Sept. 22.** Work on an endeavor that can either be updated or transformed into something far more useful. The rewards for doing so will be larger than you think.

♎ Libra **Sept. 23-Oct. 23.** What cannot be accomplished on your own can be achieved through a strong team effort. The secret is picking the right helpers who'll stay with the project until the end.

♏ Scorpio **Oct. 24-Nov. 22.** In order to feel gratified, you need to get involved in something that you can see through to its completion. Only then will you feel like you're putting your time to good use.

♐ Sagittarius **Nov. 23-Dec. 21.** Participating in some kind of activity that is unrelated to your workaday world could do wonders to refurbish your outlook on life. Find something different to do that you'll enjoy.

♑ Capricorn **Dec. 22-Jan. 19.** Don't be afraid to spend a little of your funds in hopes of future gain, because in order to make more of anything, including money, it is necessary to prime the pump.

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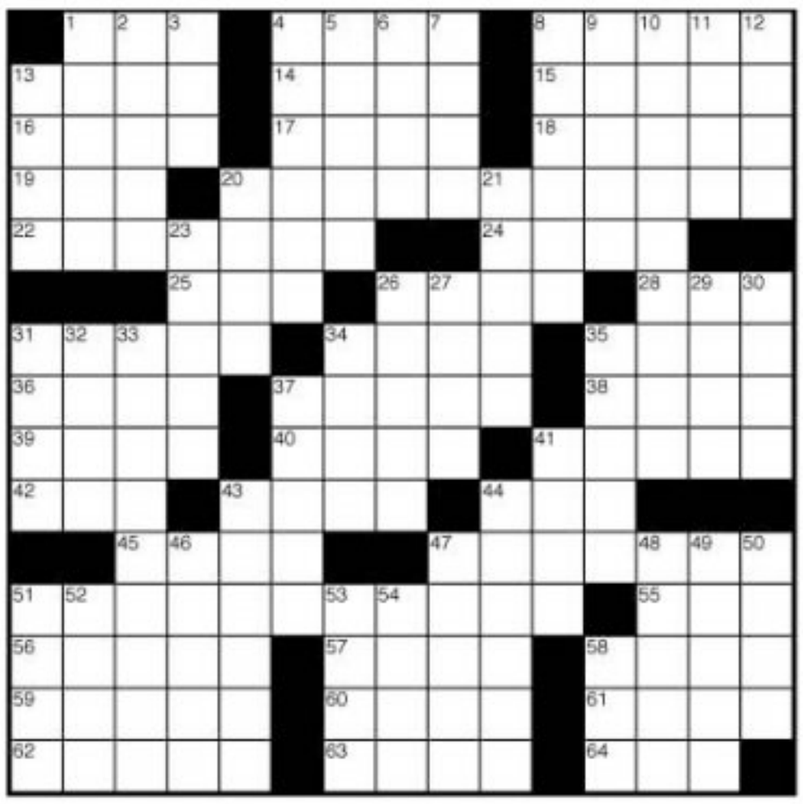

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SUDOKU **LEVEL: HARD**

Solution to yesterday's crossword

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The Catalyst to a love connection

When Chef William Kovel is preparing the meal, that's enough of an aphrodisiac But if you need more than oysters to get your Valentine's date going, try the blue cod

Nosh On

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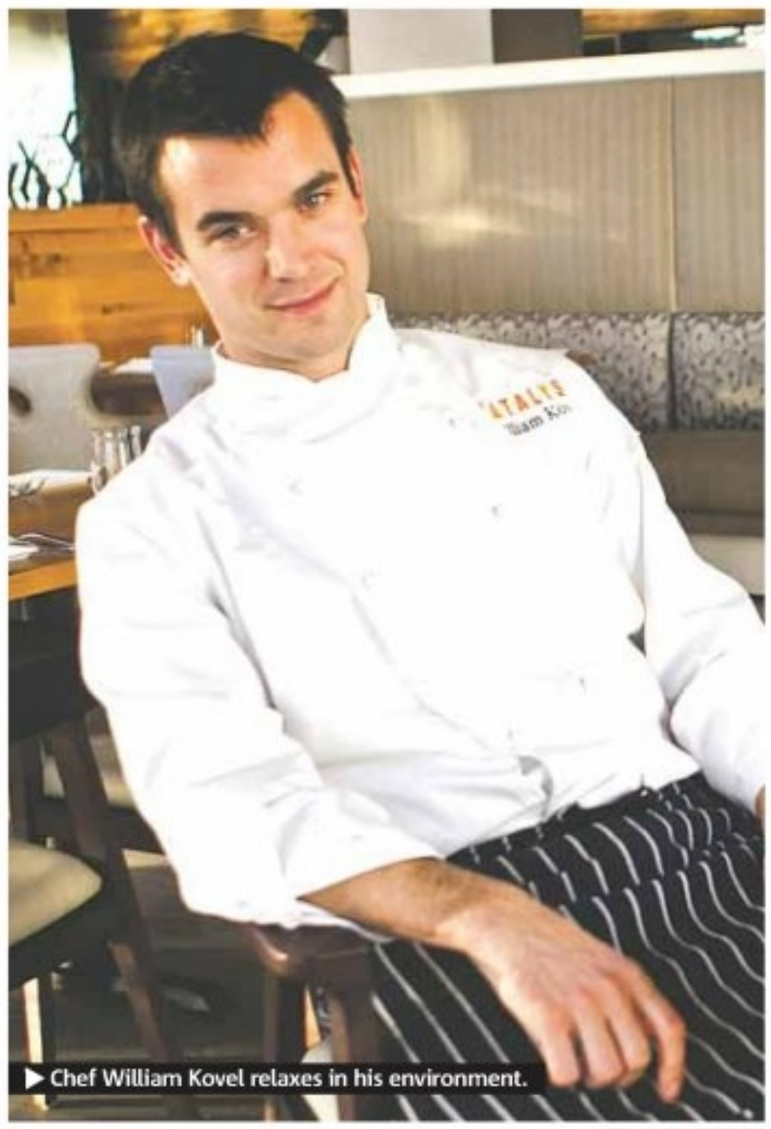
Catalyst chef and owner William Kovel has been whispering culinary sweet nothings to Boston palettes since his tenure at the defunct Aujourd'hui. Catalyst, which celebrated its first birthday last fall, is much more in keeping with the less showy times, but it's not neighborhood-casual. With a menu of salads, fish and meat tidbits to start, a trio of intriguing pastas and a handful of tantalizing desserts, the menu is simple but smart. The airy, open-plan, beam- and girder-framed restaurant is casually refined.

Kovel seems to know when to act, when not to and when to reinvent the wheel. Take a side of roasted seasonal vegetables: Big, tasty carrots are cut into chunks, turnips are cubed, and Brussels sprouts sweetened by frost on the stalk are perfectly cooked, as they should be.

Nothing is added but time and attention. Finely diced mushrooms are wrapped in al dente pasta, which is topped with sauteed Hen of the Woods and a little parmesan. But it's tarragon — an unusually soft but pungent herb with a meadowy hay flavor — that remarkably complements the mushrooms.

Catalyst's roasted blue cod sitting on a bed of crushed potatoes with olive oil is a winter menu star, too. It's surrounded by shelled mussels and clams and finished off with lots of creamy sauce. No wonder the waiter left a spoon with the knife and fork. It's a riff on clam chowder, of course, and an excellent one at that.



Chef William Kovel relaxes in his environment.

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Every Feb. 14, food and love are paired as perfect mates. But eating is one of the least romantic pursuits on the planet. Really, how romantic is it trying to get food in your mouth and keep it there whilst trying to impress your date? Once you've gotten the food part out of the way — and however awkward it might be, here you won't want it to end — curl up by Catalyst's fireplace with a glass of oaky St. Supery and guzzle some local oysters. Aphrodisiac? Who cares?

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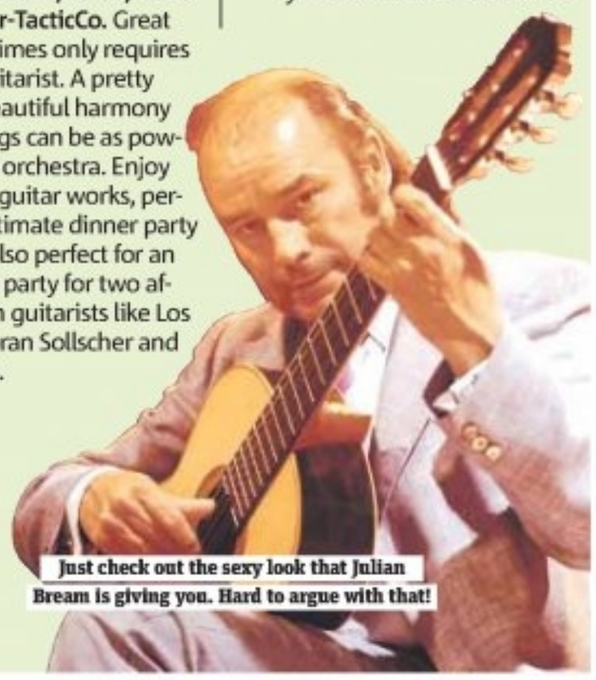

Just check out the sexy look that Julian Bream is giving you. Hard to argue with that!

Come one, come few

- Bogie's Place has an inclusive attitude and an exclusive atmosphere
- The small area within jm Curley's is an 'anti-steakhouse steakhouse'

THURSTY

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People just want to feel like they belong. Paradoxically, the best way to achieve that emotional milestone is by excluding everyone else. That's what was going through my mind on my visit to Bogie's Place, the new restaurant within a restaurant at jm Curley's, the downtown hot spot with one of the finest bar programs to open in the past year or two. Seated in a high-backed booth, with the bar humming just outside the curtain that separates this insular, intimate, candlelit space from the rest of the crowd, it's easy to feel like you're part of an exclusive club.

Not that Bogie's, an "anti-steakhouse steakhouse" in bar manager Kevin Mabry's words, isn't welcoming — quite the opposite, in fact — but the small scale of the room and the removed-from-the-world feel engenders a private-club effect that makes you feel like a high roller, without the typically attendant cost outlay.

"We've always been against the grain with all we've done with jm Curley," Mabry explains. "We're creating a value-driven steakhouse-fare menu that is only 18 seats and reservation only, with the exception of the three bar stools. It's unlike anything else out there."

Among those unique points is the caviar service, one ounce of American Sturgeon caviar with all the accoutrements, and appropriately matched vodka. Speaking of vodka, the martini presentation stands out as well.

"What we're trying to do with our martini service is give a guest a few options and don't shy on the vermouth," he says. "A 3-1 ratio isn't what the American palate has been accustomed to, which is criminal."

Guests choose from an array of vodkas, vermouths and garnishes, like sachets of fresh herbs, lemon oil or a style of olives served with a chilled shaker and Hawthorne strainer on the side. A separate cocktail list from the main jm Curley bar provides options like the classic Remember the Maine, made here with Rittenhouse bonded rye, sweet vermouth, Cherry Heering and absinthe. Sure, you could order one in the other room, but in here it feels a little more exclusive. Isn't that the point of going out in the first place? How else will you know you're better than everyone else?

ERIK BALDASSARI/METRO

▶ The folks at jm Curley's don't like letting photographers into their establishment, but this solo guy seems like he was welcomed.

Drink this

Mabry, who is inventive on the jm Curley cocktail list, has been experimenting with an improved champagne cocktail. "I've been working on dehydrating spirits and seeing how they react to stove-top dehydration," he says. "I settled on Aperol for the first one. Once I have the sugar, I press it into a 'pill' form, place it at the bottom of a champagne flute, add two dashes of Angostura and fill it with sparkling wine. The finished product is a red-tinged, sweet yet bitter, champagne drink that is easy drinking and pretty cool to witness."

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2 parts Pinnacle Whipped Vodka
1 part DeKuyper Strawberry
2 parts half & half
1 cup ice

Instructions: Blend all the ingredients until smooth. Pour into a martini glass. Garnish rim with crushed strawberry candy.

Bleeding Heart

½ oz. pomegranate or raspberry vodka
Fresh cranberries
Polar Pomegranate or Cherry Pomegranate Seltzer
2 tablespoons frozen cranberry juice (concentrate)

Instructions: Combine the vodka and cranberry concentrate in the bottle of a glass. Add the fresh cranberries, then the seltzer, and watch it bleed before drinking with abandon.

Wild Strawberry Seduction

2 oz. SKYY Infusions Wild Strawberry
1 oz. fresh lemon juice
1 oz. apple juice
½ oz. honey solution
2 medium basil leaves
2 medium strawberries

Instructions: Muddle basil, strawberries and lemon juice. Add remaining ingredients. Shake and double strain into coupe glass.

Kentucky Kiss

1 part Maker's Mark Bourbon
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Maraschino cherry

Instructions: Add bourbon to a champagne flute and fill with chilled sparkling apple cider. Add a maraschino cherry.

Pink Passion

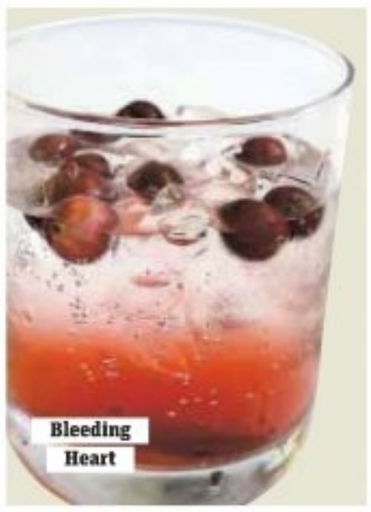
2 parts Porton pisco
1 part pomegranate juice
1 part tangerine juice
Sugar to taste
Pomegranate seeds for garnish

Instructions: Combine ingredients in a shaker with ice. Shake well and strain into a martini glass. Garnish with pomegranate seeds.

French Kiss

1½ oz. Devotion Vodka Blood Orange
½ oz. Grand Marnier
1 oz. Orange Juice

Instructions: Mix ingredients and add a dash of club soda. Garnish with an orange peel.



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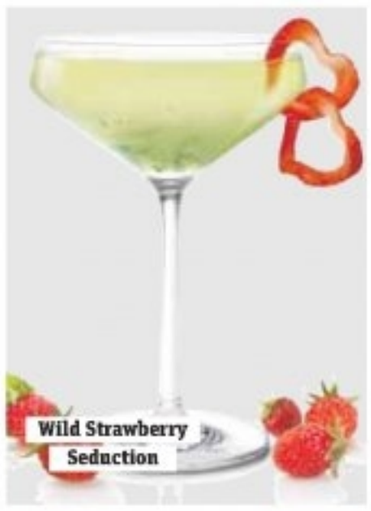

Wild Strawberry Seduction

The Anejo Kiss

1½ oz. Partida Anejo
½ oz. Creme de cacao (white)
1 oz. Amarula cream

Instructions: Mix ingredients in a shaker with ice, and shake well. Strain into a chilled martini glass.

TY KU Blushing Date

2 oz. TY KU Soju
½ oz. raspberry liqueur
1 oz. pink grapefruit juice
Splash of grenadine

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Cupid's Arrow

2 oz. Vikingfjord 80 Proof
2 dashes Campari
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Grapefruit

Instructions: Build ingredients on cube ice in a highball glass. Garnish with a grapefruit wedge.

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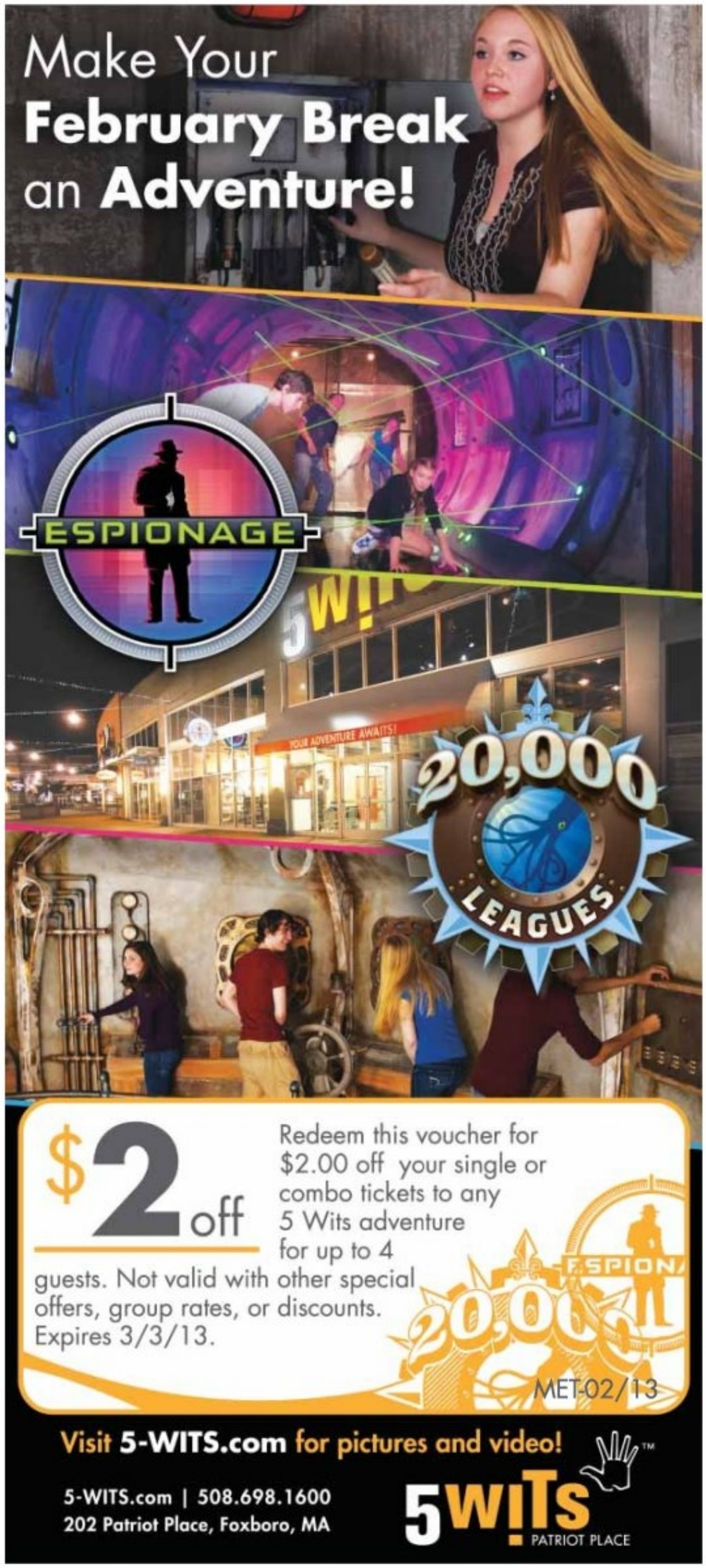

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▶ The Bad Plus are lookin' good backstage.

CAMERON WITTIG

Top 40 chillwave

▶ Toro Y Moi's Chaz Bundick further expands his sonic pallet on 'Anything in Return' ▶ 'As long as I can keep my head on, it's OK,' he says ▶ Singer says it's important to not have any regrets about what he's already recorded

Soft-spoken Chaz Bundick (aka Toro Y Moi) has kept his bearings since his hazy, synth-driven bedroom-breakout "Causers of This" put him on the map in 2010. While his splash put him into the chill-wave scene that also included other newbies like Washed Out and Neon Indian, inspirational (and operational) changes came soon for the South Carolina native. His 2011 follow-up "Underneath the Pine" saw him incorporate more live instruments and a band into his idiosyncratic laptop creations, spanning genres as wide as R&B, hip-hop, indie rock and '60s pop.

"Anything in Return" continues the evolution of Toro Y Moi's sound by adding in deep disc-digging doses of down-tempo R&B, ambient hip-hop, underground disco and '90s diva house to the mix. At times it mirrors the retro lo-fi charm of its predecessors, but predominately it is the most polished, well-produced and eccentric work in his brief catalog.

"I was really trying to mess around with that Top 40 sound to see if I could come close to what they do, even just as an experiment," says Bundick, who plays all the music and sings vocals on his records. "As long as I can keep my head on, it's OK."

"Anything In Return" plays out like a heavily textured, almost claustrophobic house mix of Bundick's current favorite sounds. Where some tracks such as "Harm in Change" keep the layers heavy, others such as "Touch" bring it down to just a few mellow tones and the cricket-like chirp of a drum machine. Lost mostly in the mix is Bundick's own voice, which quietly coexists with the soulful samples (mostly ultra-short clips of female singers) that he drops on numerous tracks. "She knows I work hard," he sings on "Cake"— alluding to what he calls the album's central theme: being away from loved ones for the first time.

"Anything" might not be Toro Y Moi's most accessible work, but fans seeking new explorations won't be disappointed.

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ANDREW PAYNTER

▶ Bundick says when he performs live he sometimes feels like he sounds like a Toro Y Moi cover band.

Toro's new toys

At times, the multiple layers of keys and percussion make Toro Y Moi's music hard to pull off live — so much so that Bundick jokes about sounding "like a cover band" of his own music.

But he says trying to use a broad spectrum of instruments live and especially in the studio is something he wouldn't turn back on.

"When I listen to 'Causers of This,' all I hear is laptops. God, I wish those were real keys. But that's in the past and not really worth regretting."

Quoted

"I was really trying to mess around with that Top 40 sound to see if I could come close to what they do."
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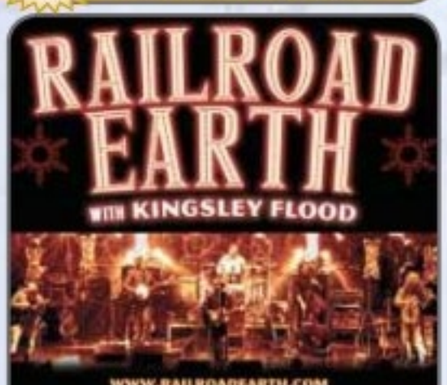

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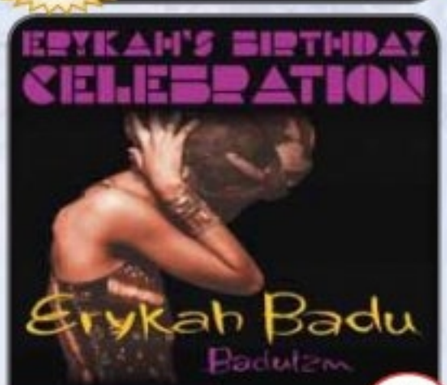

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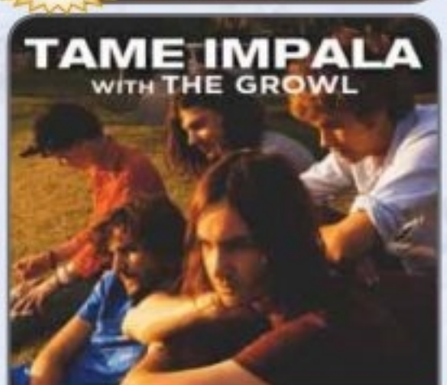

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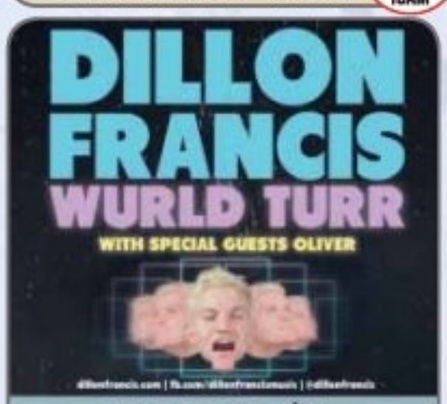

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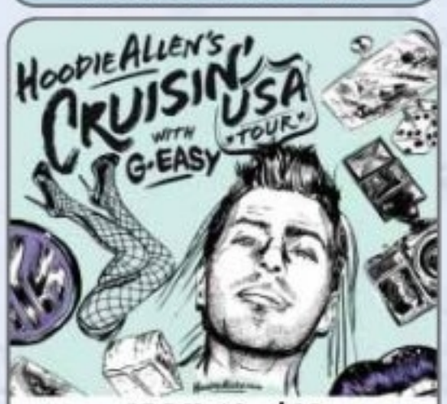

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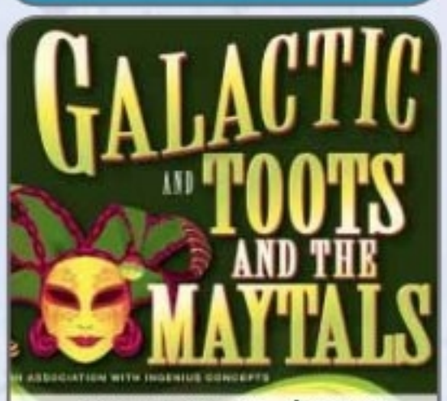

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Here's to new beginnings

Lester, Buchholz can go nowhere but up after dismal 2012 seasons ◗ Lester says he's happy in Boston despite issues last year and year before ◗ 58 of 59 players arrive in Fort Myers

Two of the biggest disappointments of the 2012 season, who are also two of the biggest keys to 2013, were in the news at Red Sox spring training yesterday in Fort Myers, Fla.

Jon Lester spoke to the media for the first time this year, while Clay Buchholz, who suffered a hamstring injury on the first day of workouts Tuesday, got some good news, as the injury is not expected to be serious.

Buchholz, a 28-year-old right-hander, tweaked his hamstring fielding a ground ball and running toward first base during drills early in Tuesday's workout, which was enough to end his day, as he was seen leaving the facility walking with a slight limp.

A day following the injury, the news was much better for the Sox starter.

"It was a good day for Clay Buchholz," Red Sox manager John Farrell told reporters. "He's responded favorably to treatment. … He actually went out and threw after the workout, not off the mound, but he was able to put a ball back in his hand. It was an encouraging day for him."

Meanwhile, Lester, who is coming off of his worst season as a professional, is determined to bounce back. He said he wants to "prove last year was a fluke."

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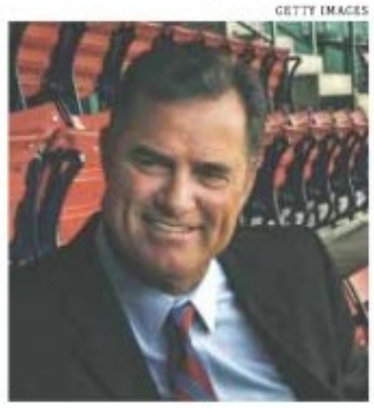

"I think this team has the talent to contend and ultimately win this division."

RED SOX MANAGER JOHN FARRELL TO WEEI, ON HIS EXPECTATIONS HEADING INTO THE 2013 SEASON

Last season the southpaw was heavily criticized for his demeanor on the mound as well as his attitude off the field, but Lester had a much different take yesterday, the second day of workouts for pitchers and catchers.

"I love baseball. I love Boston," Lester told reporters. "People don't see me other than the fifth day, and when I'm out there when I'm out there. I'm not out there to kid around; I'm not out there to joke around with hitters — but at the same time, I'm having fun. It may not look like it — I may be cussing up a storm and yelling at somebody — but I'm having fun."

1.38

Jon Lester's WHIP (walks/hits per innings pitched) in the 2012 season. The number was his worst for a season since 2007, when he pitched in just 12 games.

Lester went 9-14 with a 4.82 ERA in 2012, including just four wins following the All-Star break.

Also, first baseman Mike Napoli will have an MRI today on his hip to fully clear him for full-time baseball duties. All but one of the 59 players on the Red Sox roster have arrived at camp, and newly acquired outfielder Shane Victorino is the only player missing. He is expected to arrive in time for today's physicals for position players.

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BOSTON GLOBE

▶ Jon Lester had the worst year of his MLB career in 2012.

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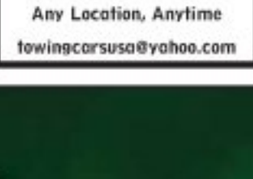

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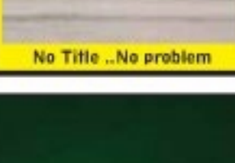

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Do you wish to have brown spots on your face removed? If you do, you may be eligible to participate in a research study of an investigational device at SkinCare Physicians.

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- ★ Have brown spots on the face.
- ★ Never have had treatment with laser or other devices in treatment area.
- ★ Not be pregnant; you must not be planning a pregnancy during the study;
- ★ Willing to consent and attend study visits.

If you are interested in participating in this study or need more information, please call
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To be in this study you must:
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- ✔ Have brown spots on the face and wish for rejuvination
- ✔ Never have had treatment with laser or other devices in treatment area.
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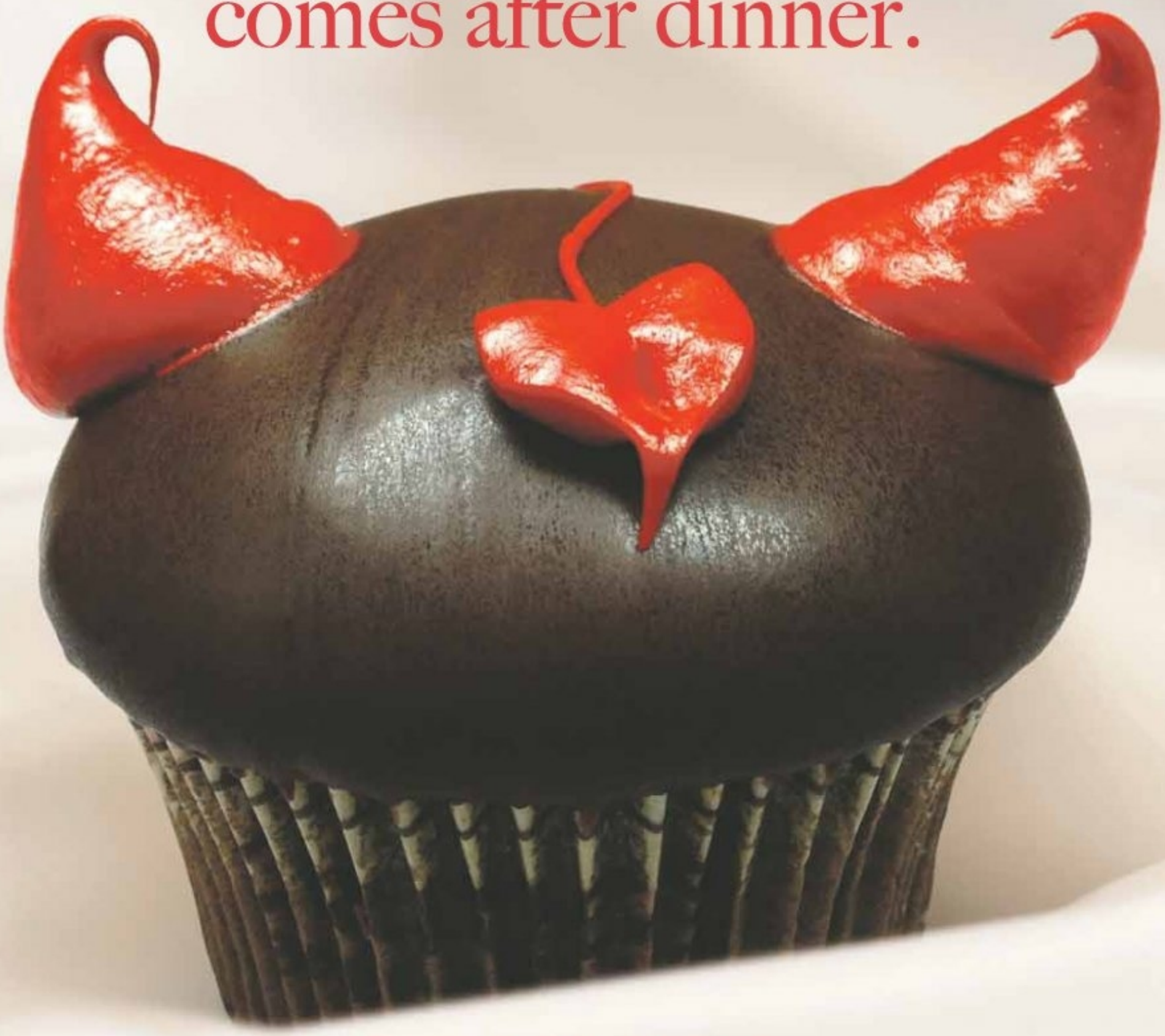

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